Godson, Georgetown University/National Strategy Information Center, Washington, D.C.

CAMPAIGN FINANCING INVESTIGATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee resumed hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, receiving testimony from Lanny A. Breuer, Special Counsel to the President; Michael X. Imbroscio, Associate Counsel to the President; and Charles Ruff, Chief White House Counsel; and Richard Jenrette, Equitable Life Insurance Company, New York, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of James S. Ware, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Lynn S. Adelman, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Charles R. Breyer, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Frank C. Damrell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Martin J. Jenkins, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Michael McCuskey, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, G. Patrick Murphy, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, and Frederica A. Massiah-Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Messrs. Ware, Breyer, Damrell, and Jenkins were introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Mr. Adelman was introduced by Senators Kohl and Feingold, Mr. McCuskey was introduced by Senators Moseley-Braun and Durbin and Representative Evans, Mr. Murphy was introduced by Senators Moseley-Braun and Durbin, and Ms. Massiah-Jackson was introduced by Senators Specter and Santorum and Representatives Foglietta and Fattah.

GLOBAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition concluded hearings to examine certain antitrust implications of the proposed settlement between State Attorneys General and tobacco companies to mandate a total reformation and restructuring of how tobacco products are manufactured, marketed and distributed in America, after receiving testimony from Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Meyer Koplow, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen, and Katz, New York, New York; and Frank J. Chaloupka, IV, University of Illinois, Chicago.

INDIAN GAMING REGULATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1077, to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to revise certain definitions and to establish the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Commission as an independent United States agency to establish minimum Federal standards for background investigations, internal control systems, and licensing, after receiving testimony from Senator Feinstein and Bryan; David Hayes, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior; Kevin Di Gregory, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice: Tadd Johnson, National Indian Gaming Commission, Raymond C. Scheppach, National Governors' Association, Ernie Stevens, Jr., National Congress of American Indians, and Richard G. Hill, National Indian Gaming Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Anthony R. Pico, Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, Alpine, California; Milo Yellow Hair, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on behalf of the Great Plains Indian Gaming Association; David Kwail, Yavapai-Apache Indian Nation, Phoenix, Arizona; and Frank L. Chaves, New Mexico Indian Gaming Association, Bernalillo, New Mexico.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 2757–2772; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 180–181, and H. Res. 286, 287, and 289, were introduced. Page H9729

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2645, to make technical corrections related to the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 and certain other tax legislation, amended (H. Rept. 105–356); and

H. Res. 288, providing for consideration of H.R. 2746, to amend title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to give parents with low incomes the opportunity to choose the appropriate school for their children; and H.R. 2616, to

amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools (H. Rept. 105–357). Page H9728 Condolence Resolution: Agreed to H. Res. 286, expressing the condolences of the House on the

expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable Walter H. Capps, a Representative from the State of California.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Ensign motion to adjourn by a yea and nay vote of 29 yeas to 374 nays, Roll No. 535.

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Question of Privilege of the House: The Speaker ruled that H. Res. 287, relating to a question of the privileges of the House, did constitute a question of privilege of the House and was in order. Subsequently, agreed to table the resolution by a yea and nay vote of 218 yeas to 200 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 537.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures that were debated on October 28:

Dollars to Classrooms: H. Res. 139, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Department of Education, States, and local education agencies should spend a greater percentage of Federal education tax dollars in our children's classrooms (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 310 yeas to 99 nays, Roll No. 538);

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J. Roy Rowland Federal Courthouse: H.R. 1484, amended, to redesignate the Dublin Federal Courthouse building located in Dublin, Georgia, as the J. Roy Rowland Federal Courthouse (passed by a yea and nay vote of 414 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 539). Agreed to amend the title; and

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David W. Dyer Federal Courthouse: H.R. 1479, amended, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Northeast First Avenue in Miami, Florida, as the "David W. Dyer Federal Courthouse" (passed by yea and nay vote of 411 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 540). Agreed to amend the title.

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Motion to Instruct Conferees—Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary Appropriations: By a yea and nay vote of 153 yeas to 268 nays with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 541, rejected the Rohrabacher motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2267, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and to insist on the House's disagreement with Section 111 of the Senate amendment which provides for a

permanent extension of Section 245(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Pages H9642–55

Nuclear Waste Policy Act: The House completed general debate and began considering amendments to H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

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Pursuant to section 426(b)(3) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the House agreed to consider the bill by a yea and nay vote of 312 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 542.

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Agreed To:

The Dan Schaefer of Colorado amendment, as modified, that clarifies the applicability of provisions to other Federal law; directs the Department of Energy to minimize the transportation of hazardous materials and nuclear waste through populated areas; directs the Department of Transportation to establish procedures, within one year, for the selection of preferred rail routes for the transportation of spent nuclear fuel or radioactive waste; and specifies emergency responder training standards for persons responsible for responding to emergency situations occurring during the removal and transportation of spent nuclear and high level radioactive waste;

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The Kildee amendment that defines "affected Indian tribe" to qualify the Indian tribe for affects of an interim storage facility or repository that are substantial and adverse (agreed to by a recorded vote of 408 ayes to 10 noes, Roll No. 543); Pages H9691–93

The Traficant amendment that requires that only nuclear waste produced in the United States can be stored in any repository established in the bill (agreed to by a recorded vote of 407 ayes to 11 noes, Roll No. 544);

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Pending:

The Ensign amendment was offered that seeks to ensure that a risk assessment study and cost benefit analysis are conducted prior to action being taken under the act;

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The Gibbons amendment was offered that seeks to specify that the Governor of each State with nuclear waste routes shall certify that emergency response teams exist and can manage any nuclear accident before transportation can be implemented;

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The Ensign amendment was offered that seeks to require that before any shipments occur, Congress must have appropriated funds to ensure adequate emergency response teams along the transportation route;

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The Markey amendment was offered that seeks to strike provisions that prevent EPA from setting radiation protection standards;

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The Gibbons amendment was offered that seeks to delete the 1 mill cap and gives the Secretary of Energy the authority to assess a fee on the existing reactors; and

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The Traficant amendment was offered that seeks to express the sense of Congress that all material and services purchased pursuant to the bill should be from the United States; requires a notice describing the requirement to purchase American-made equipment and products; and prohibits contracts with persons falsely labeling products as made in America.

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Earlier, the House agreed to H. Res. 283, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a yea and nay vote of 259 yeas to 155 nays, Roll No. 536.

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Presidential Message—Aeronautics and Space: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted his report concerning the Nation's achievements in aeronautics and space during fiscal year 1996—referred to the Committee on Science.

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Forage Improvement Act: The House completed debate on H. Res. 284, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2493, to establish a mechanism by which the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior can provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal lands.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9617.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H9730.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H9631, H9638, H9639, H9640, H9640–41, H9641–42, H9655, H9656–57, H9692–93, and H9693. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 286, adjourned at 10:43 p.m. in memory of the late Honorable Walter H. Capps of California.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH EXTENSION AND EDUCATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported amended H.R. 2534, Agricultural Research Extension and Education Reauthorization Act of 1997.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION'S GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE RESULTS ACT REPORT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops held a hearing on the Review of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Government Performance Results Act Report. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PARK SERVICE HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on Park Service Housing and Construction. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Wilma A. Lewis, Inspector General; Paul Henne, Acting Assistant Director, Administration, Fish and Wildlife Service; Mat Millenbach, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; Robert Stanton, Director, Dennis Galvin, Deputy Director, and Charlie Clapper, Assistant Director, Denver Service Center, all with the National Park Service; Barry T. Hill, Associate Director (Energy, Resources and Science), GAO; and Lyle Laverty, Director, Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness Resources Management, Forest Service, USDA.

CHILD HEALTH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Child Health. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Duane Alexander, M.D., Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Alan Leshner, M.D., Director, National Institute of Drug Abuse; Steven E. Hyman, M.D., Director, National Institute of Mental Health; Audrey Nora, M.D., Director, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration; and James Marks, M.D., Director, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Ernest Wynder, M.D., President, American Health Foundation.

MEDICARE HOME HEALTH

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Medicare Home Health. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General; and Linda Ruiz, Director, Program Integrity, Health Care Financing Administration; Charles L. Owens, Chief, Financial Crimes Section, FBI, Department of Justice; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Systems Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.